From: PUC

Sent: Tuesday, August 2, 2022 12:15 PM

To: Subject: EL21-018

Mr. and Ms. Baldridge,

This is in response to your letter and your presentation notes made to the Hughes County Board of Adjustment meeting on July 27 regarding the North Bend Wind Project siting permit request, docket <u>EL21-018</u>.

I appreciate hearing your perspective as landowners in the county of this proposed project. I am not able to address all the issues you brought forth concerning the county's authority or actions since I am not involved in that process. The Public Utilities Commission received a siting permit application for this proposed project from developer ENGIE North America, on June 23, 2021. At the request of ENGIE and by approval and order of the commission on March 8, 2022, the docket's deadline for decision has been indefinitely extended.

If you have not already, I encourage you to review the PUC's online docket and monitor it as new information is posted. You will find documents referencing some of the concerns you addressed in your letter. This <u>Siting Info Guide</u> may also be helpful.

Thank you for reaching out to share information and your concerns. Your documents and this response will be posted under Comments and Responses in the online docket.

Chris Nelson, Chairman
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
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